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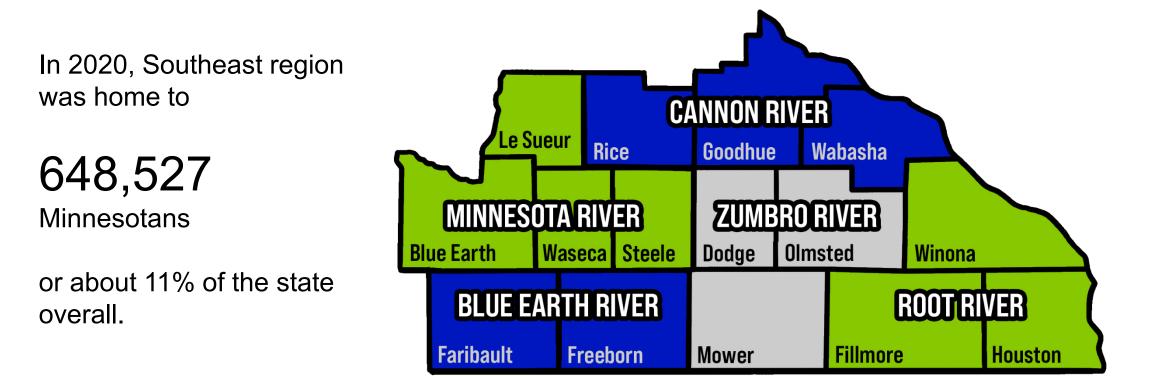
Southeast Minnesota Synod Assembly Susan Brower, Minnesota State Demographer May 6, 2023

2 Demographic Questions for Today

- How should we understand our communities today?
- 2. What will our communities be like in the future?



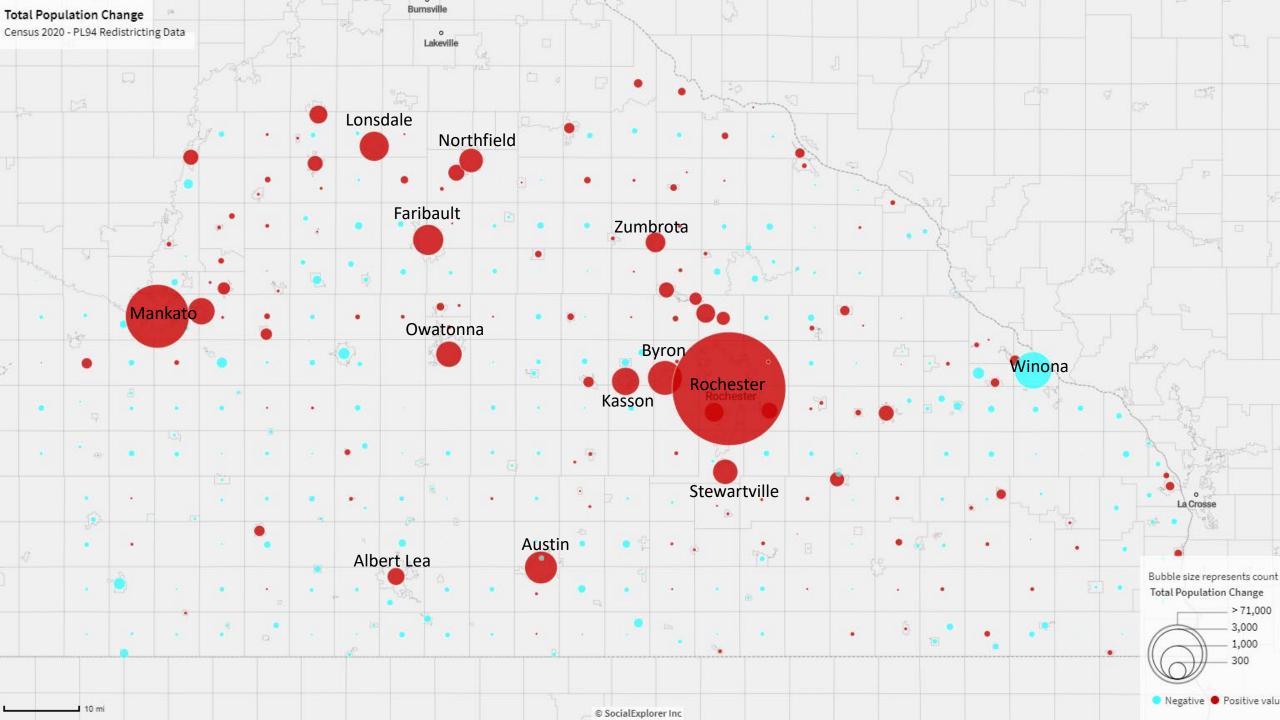
Southeast Minnesota Synod Region



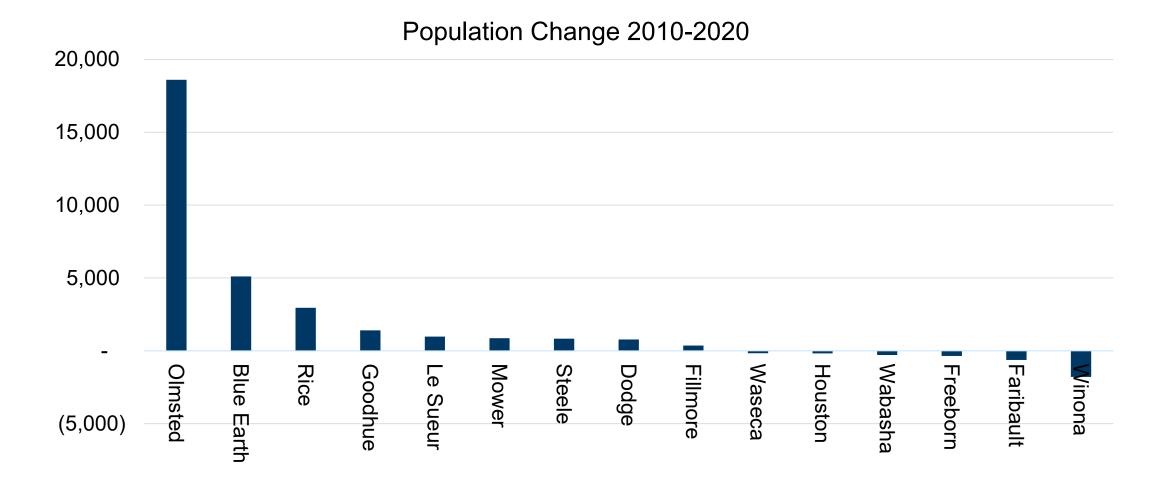
Q: How rural or urban is southeast Minnesota?



Note: Rural is <2,500 people, Small town is 2,500-9,999, Large town is 10,000-49,000, Metro is 50,000



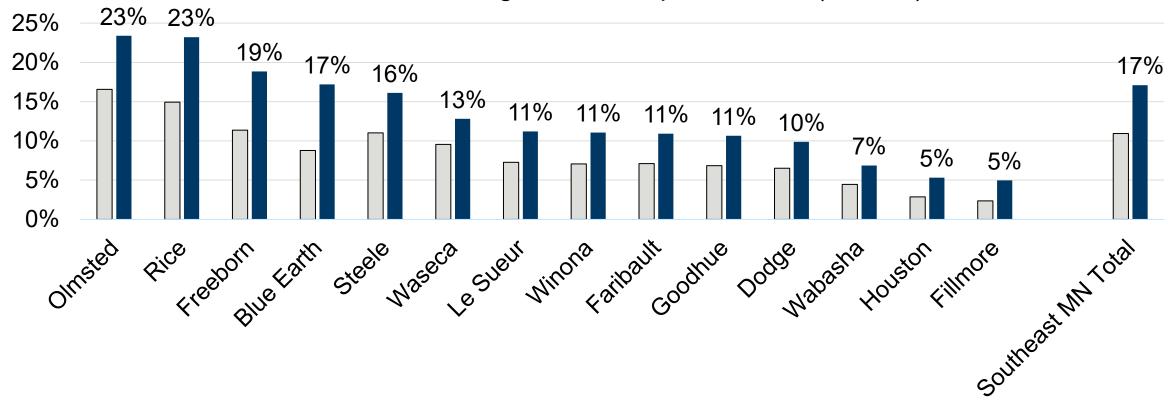
Population Growth has been concentrated in the large, urban metropolitan areas



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 and 2020 Censuses

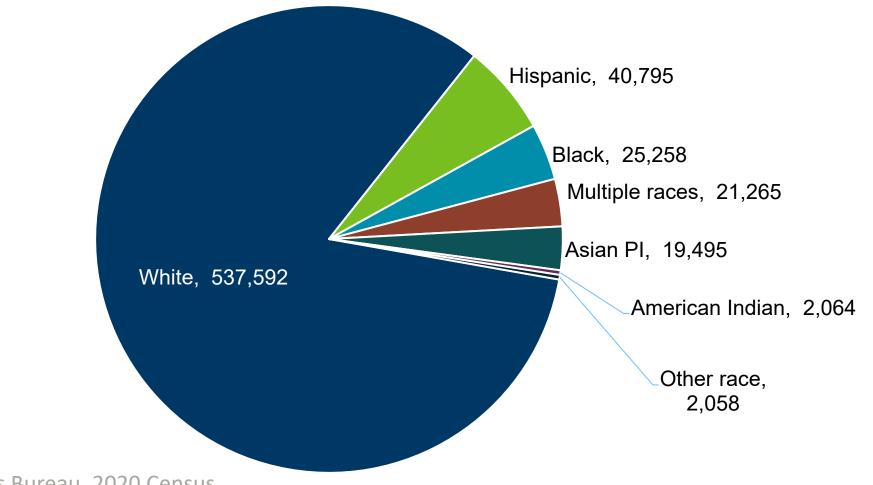
Q: How racially diverse is Southeast Minnesota?

Percent Black, Indigenous, People of Color (BIPOC)



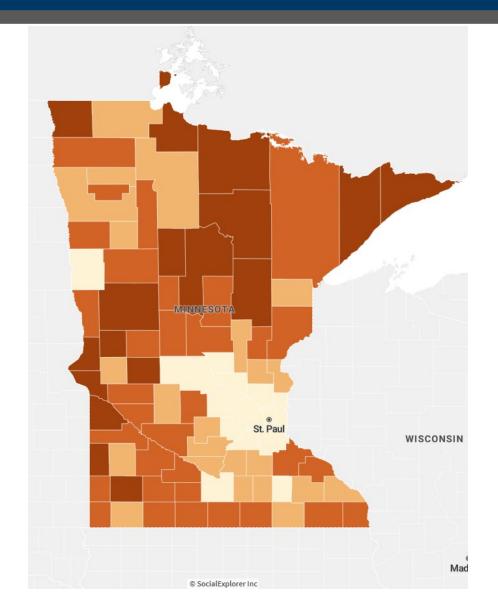
□2010 ■2020

17% of Southeast Minnesota residents are People of Color/ BIPOC (~111,000 people)

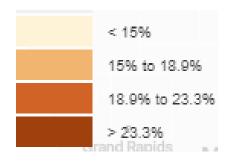


Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2020 Census

Minnesota's oldest counties tend to be more rural, less racially diverse



Percent of the county that is 65 years or older



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Rural areas tend to have "slimmer waistlines"

Minnesota (all) Faribault County 85+ 85+ 80-84 80-84 75-79 75-79 70-74 70-74 65-69 65-69 60-64 60-64 55-59 55-59 50-54 50-54 45-49 45-49 40-44 40-44 35-39 35-39 30-24 30-24 25-29 25-29 20-24 20-24 15-19 15-19 10-14 10-14 5-9 5-9 0-4 0-4 (250,000)(200,000)(150,000)(100,000) (50,000) 50,000 100,000 150,000 200,000 250,000 (800) (600) (400) (200)200 400 600 800 -■ Female ■ Male ■ Female ■ Male

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2021 Population Estimates



What will our communities look like in the future?

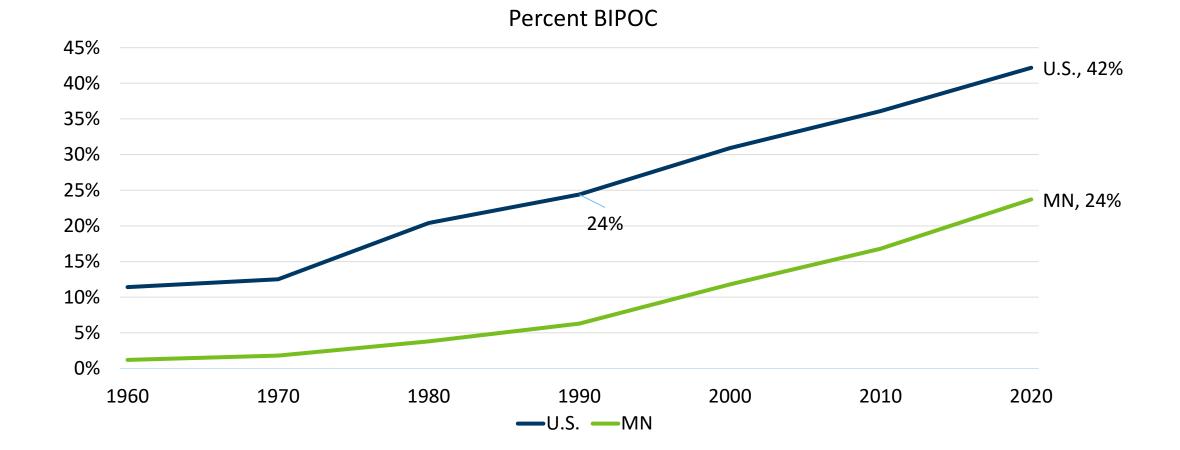
Some southeast Minnesota counties will grow, others are projected to lose population

250,000 200,000 150,000 100,000 50,000 Blue Dodge Faribault Fillmore Freeborn Goodhue Houston Le Sueur Mower Olmsted Rice Steele Wabasha Waseca Winona Earth

Projected Growth of Southeast Minnesota Counties

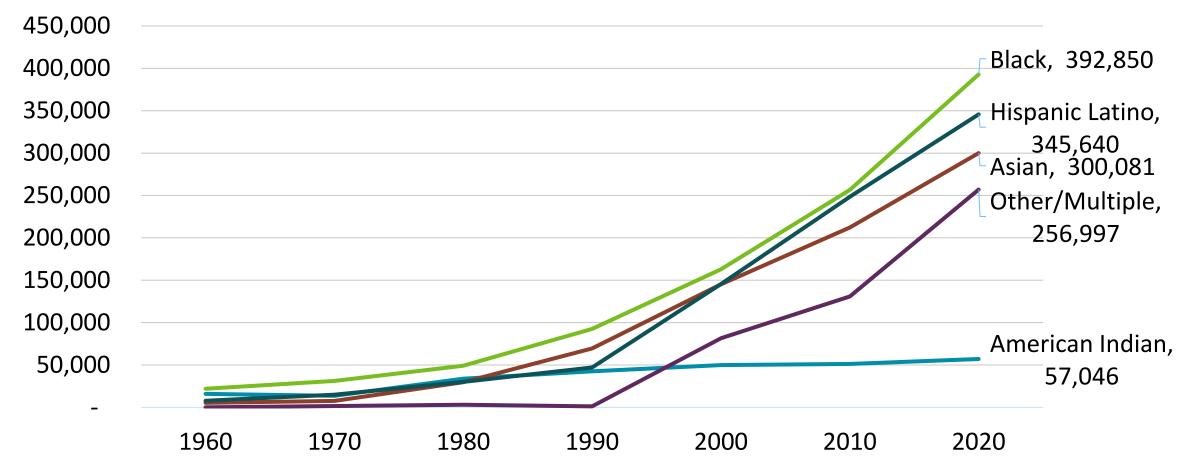
■ 2020 ■ 2025 ■ 2030 ■ 2035 ■ 2040 ■ 2045 ■ 2050

Today, about ¼ of Minnesotans belong to a BIPOC Group



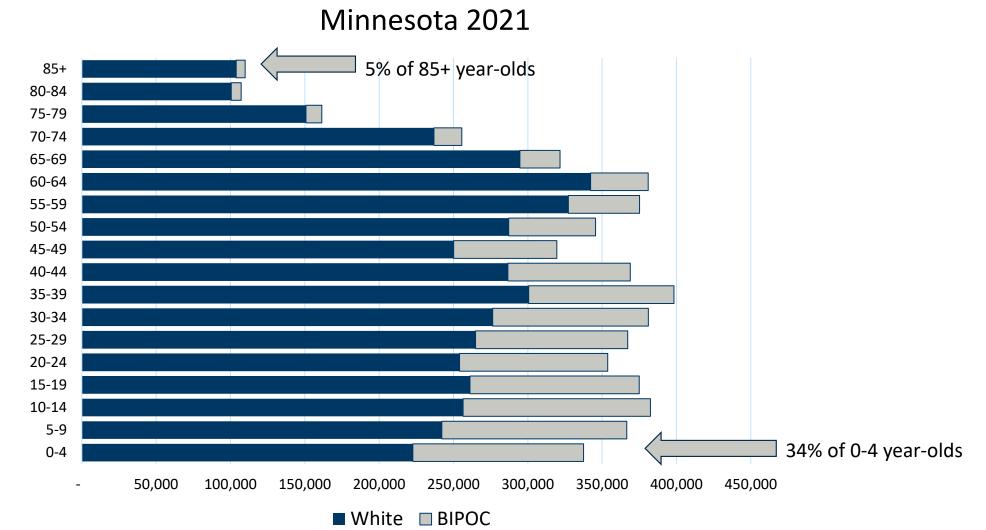
BIPOC groups now jointly total 1.3 million in Minnesota

Growth of BIPOC Race Groups



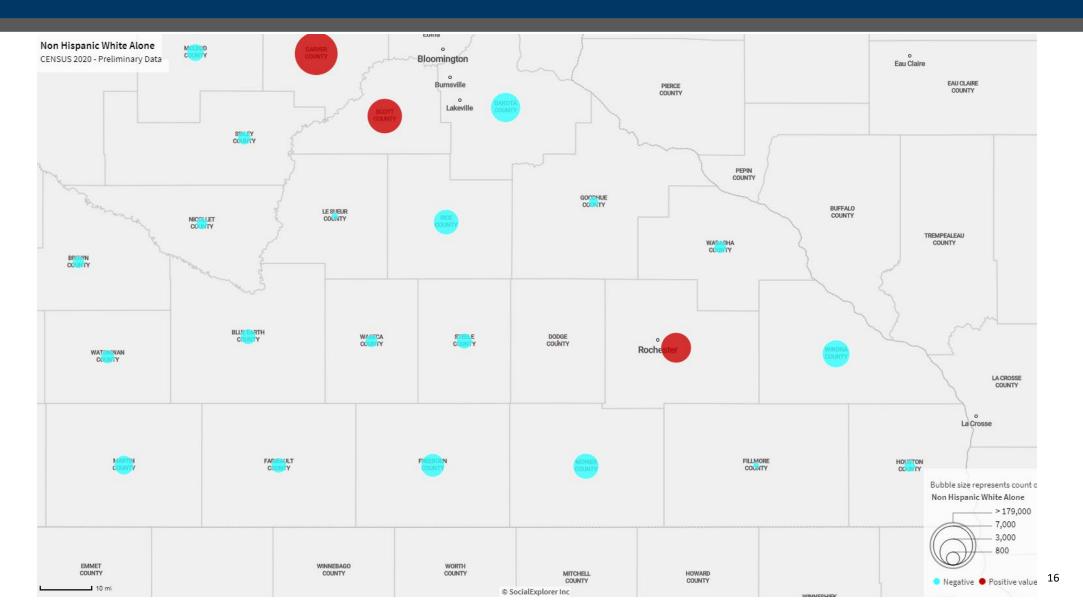
Source: ipums.org, U.S. Census Bureau data

Minnesota's populations will continue to become more racially and culturally diverse



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates Program

Southeast Minnesota: White populations declined in all SE counties except Olmsted, 2010-2020



Population growth and increasing racial diversity tend to go hand-in-hand.

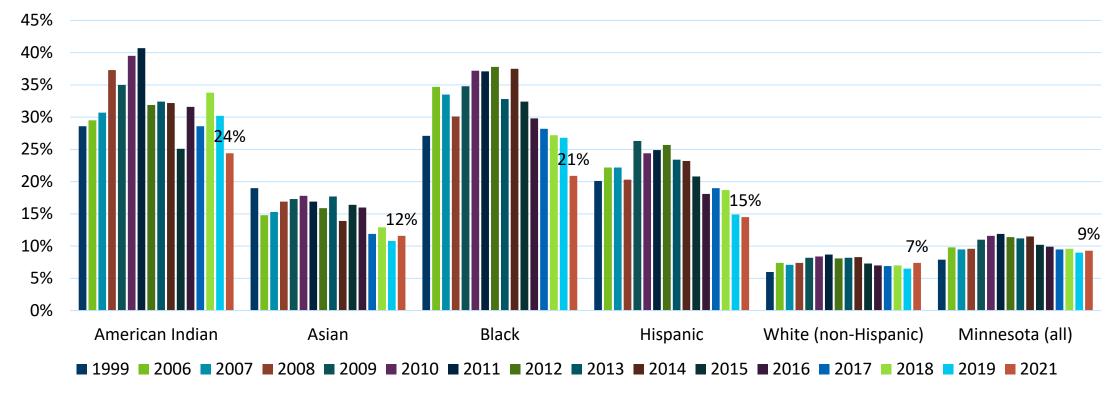
Minnesota by Major Cultural Group, 2020

	Multiple Cultural Groups			Mexican				
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Source: ipums.org, U.S. Census Bureau data

Long Term Poverty Trends in Minnesota

Rates of Poverty in Minnesota By race, 1999-2021



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Decennial Census and American Community Survey

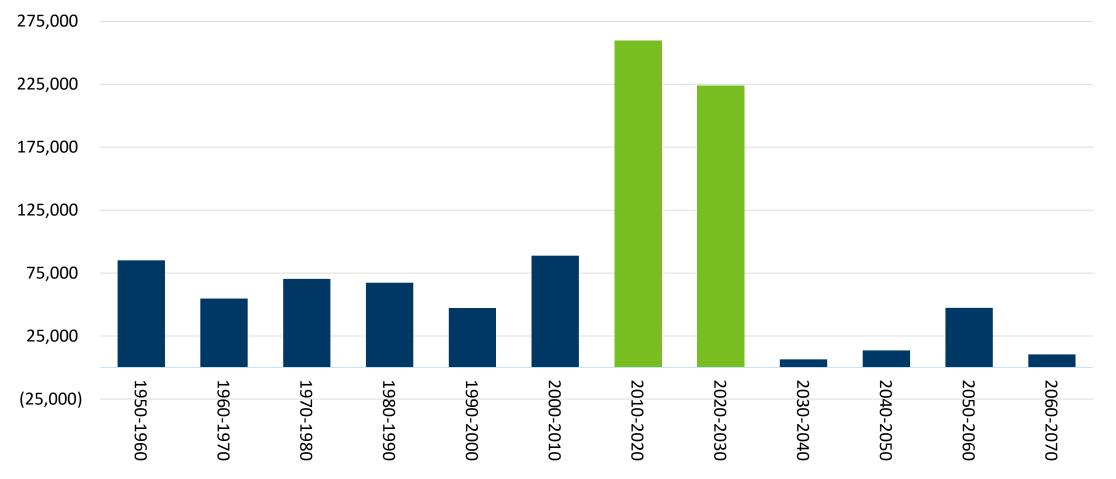
Unprecedented increase in Minnesota's older adult population

Change in 65+ Population 275,000 225,000 175,000 125,000 75,000 25,000 1960-1970 2030-2040 1950-1960 1970-1980 1980-1990 1990-2000 2000-2010 2010-2020 2020-2030 2040-2050 2050-2060 2060-2070 (25,000)

Source: 1950-2020 U.S. Census Bureau, 2030-2070 State Demographic Center

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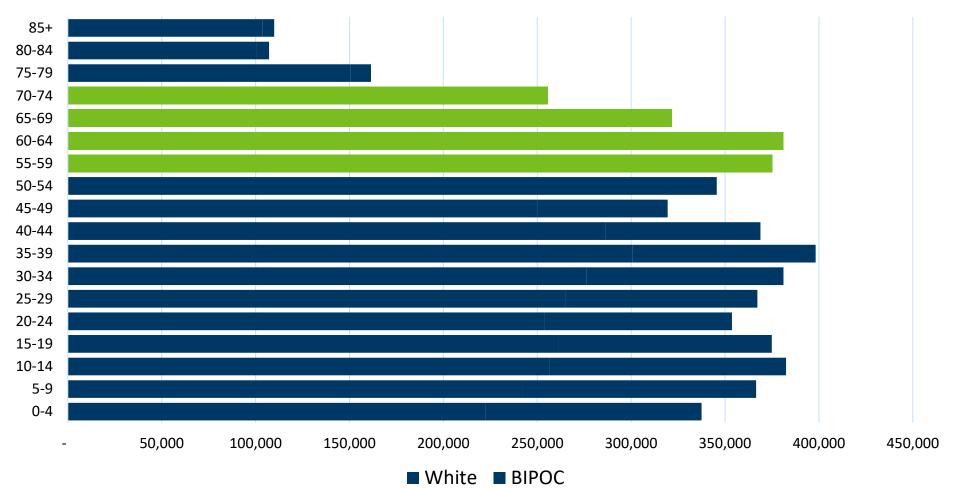
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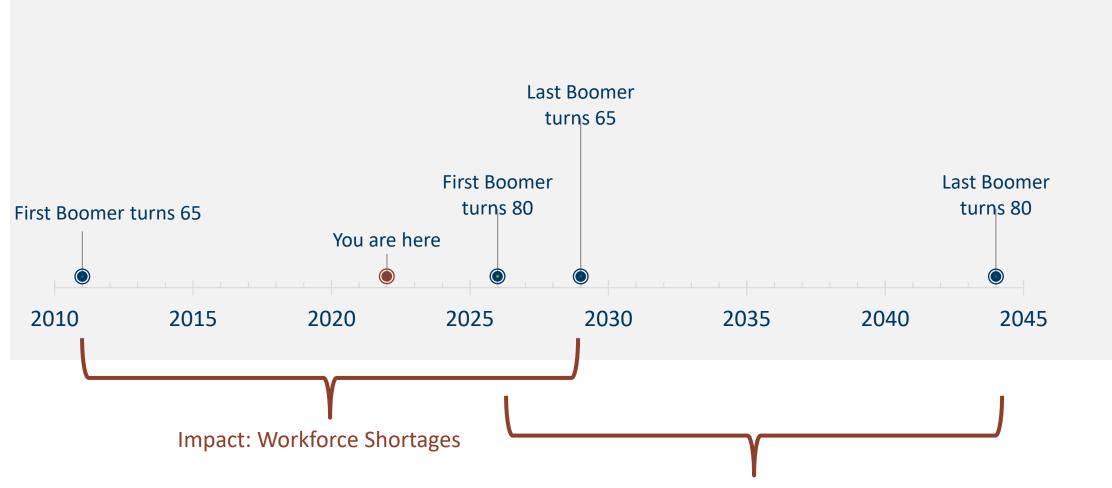
Baby boom generation will largely age out of their working years between now and 2030

Minnesota 2021



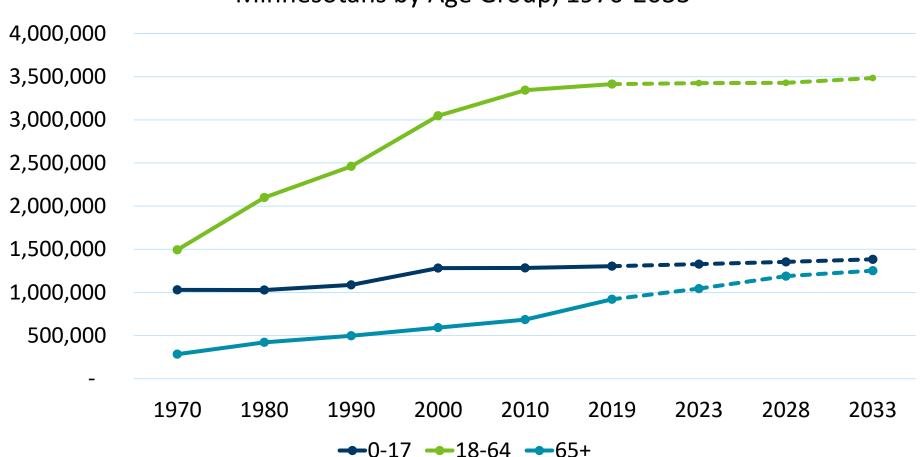
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When will we feel the impact of our aging population?



Impact: Health Care and Long-Term Services and Supports ²³

Little-to -no growth in working-age population in MN over the next 15 years

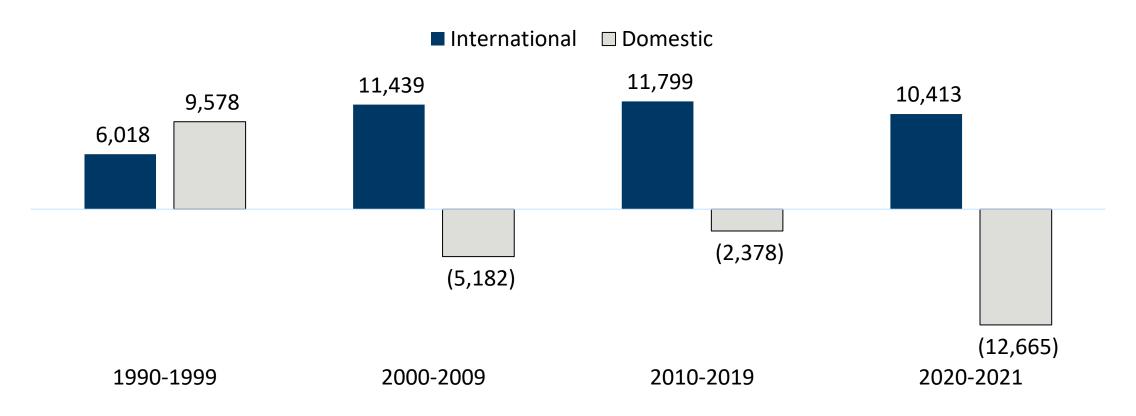


Minnesotans by Age Group, 1970-2033

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, and Minnesota State Demographic Center Projections

Losses from domestic migration persist; gains from international migration remain steady

Average Annual Domestic Net Migration Minnesota, 1990-2021



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates Program

What will Southeast Minnesota communities be like in the future?

- Most communities will be older in the future than they are today.
- Some communities will be more culturally, racially, ethnically, linguistically, religiously diverse, but others will not.
- Some communities will grow rapidly, others will continue to decline slowly.

Final thought:

Demographic changes are the consequences of how we have lived our lives in the past. They are not reflections of how loving or beautiful or safe a community is. Communities in the future— no matter how big or small, young or old, diverse or homogenous—will be filled with people who need to find meaning, will desire human connection, and who want to be part of something larger than themselves.



Thank you

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